SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: Madam, initially I am protesting... (*Interruptions*)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am not calling you... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: That this House... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI MD. SALIM (West Bengal): Madam... (*Interruptions*)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: This is official business... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI MD. SALIM: I am quoting the ruling... (*Interruptions*)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Do you know what she is moving? She is moving a motion for election to JPC. Your Member only requested her; so I am allowing her to move it. If you do not want her to move it I will ask her not to move it... (*Interruptions*)... You people keep on objecting to everything for no reason. It was the request of the CPI Member that since a JPC Member from their party had retired, a motion should be moved to elect another Member. I am allowing it under the rules and you are objecting to it... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI MD. SALIM: I have no objection to moving the Motion... (*Interruptions*)

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Probably it is a question of the notice to be given. But it was decided in the morning that in view of the JPC term expiring by the end of this Session, that this motion had to be moved immediately.

Madam, I move:

> "That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to appoint one Member from the Rajya Sabha to the Joint Committee to enquire into irregularities in the securities and banking transactions, in the vacancy caused by the retirement of Shri Dipen Ghosh from the Rajya Sabha, for the unexpired portion of the term of the Committee and do appoint Shri Sukomal Sen to serve on the said Committee."

The question was put and the motion was adopted

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS COMMITTEE

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Madam, I move:

> "That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to nominate one Member from the Rajya Sabha to associate with the Committee on Public Undertakings of the Lok Sabha for the unexpired portion of the term of the Committee vice Shri Sunil Basu Ray who ceased to be a Member of the Rajya Sabha on his retirement and do proceed to elect in such manner as the Chairman may direct one Member from among the Members of the House to serve on the said Committee."

The question put and the motion was adopted.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now I want to make an announcement. About the motion regarding the Joint Select Committee, Mr. S. B. Chavan is going to come in the afternoon because he is not feeling well and he has written that he would come in the afternoon. So, we will have this matter in the afternoon... (*Interruptions*) At that time you can object... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN (Tamil Nadu): Even now I want to say that I feel sorry that the AIADMK party has not been represented on this Committee. We have eleven Members in the other House and six Members in the Rajya Sabha. I have no objection to one TDP Member being nominated to this Committee. But the TDP has five Members and we have got 11 Members

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and, moreover, we have a Government in Tamil Nadu. I am very sorry about this and I strongly protest against it. There is no logic and the hon. Minister has been saying that there is logic in it. I find that there is no logic in the TDP getting representation and the AIADMK in spite of having 11 Members in the Lok Sabha and six Members in the Rajya Sabha being excluded from it.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let the Minister reply... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: I feel that it is a partisan attitude. We strongly protest on this matter... (*Interruptions*)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please let her reply to the query posed by the Member.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: The matter is being discussed again as the Members have made a request. The Home Minister would clarify when he comes in the afternoon. I would certainly like to point out that as far as the seat allotment is concerned, we have gone strictly according to the strength of the membership of the parties... (*Interruptitns*). Please let me finish... (*Interruptions*).

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: What are you talking about? We have eleven Members in the Lok Sabha. You don't have any logic.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please listen to her. I won't permit this kind of unruly behaviour.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: You said something and I am not disputing it. The DMK has more seats than the AIADMK. Yesterday when we discussed—I was also present—the DMK decided to surrender their seats to the TDP and this was discussed amongst themselves and it was because they surrendered their seats to them that the TDP got it... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: How can one party surrender their seats to others?

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Because they are in the National Front together... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: What about our party? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY (Tamil Nadu): We have not surrendered anything. We had a discussion... (*Interruptions*).

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: The Government is taking a partisan view ... (*Interruptions*)...

विपक्ष के नेता (श्री सिकन्दर बख्त) : हम पूछ रहे थे कि इस बात पर बहस ... (व्यवधान) ...

شری سکندر بخت : ہم پوچھ رہے تھے کہ اس بات پر بحث ... "مداخلت" ...

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Your Government is surrendering the interests of the State of Tamil Nadu... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: You are unnecessarily talking.

SHRI KAMAL MORARKA (Rajasthan): Madam, you are the custodian of the traditions of this House. I don't think this matter should be discussed on the floor of this House. I think it will be better if you call the Minister and also the agitated Member and settle this issue. It is not proper to break the traditions of the Rajya Sabha. In the harmonious working of the committees this kind of a controversy should not happen.

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : सदर साहिबा, मैं एक मिनट... (व्यवधान)

شری سکندر بخت : صدر صاحبہ میں ایک منٹ ... "مداخلت" ...

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: There is no qdestion of surrendehing anything. (*Interruptions*)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: No discussion. I am not allowing anything.

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: They don't want us to be in the Committee... (*Interruptions*)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am not permitting any more discussion. Now, Shri Gurudas Das Gupta.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: You are surrendering the interests of the State. Your party has surrendered the interests of the State.

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: The Minister is taking... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Then, why do you object to hear her?

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: You keep quiet. You don't have any right to say anything.

श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल (उत्तर प्रदेश) : मैडम, मैं आपकी इजाजत से दिल्ली में जो बिजली की बुरी हालत है, उस पर तवज्जह दिलाना चाहता हूं । ... (**व्यवधान**)

दिल्ली के अंदर पिछले एक महीने से बिजली और पानी... (**व्यवधान**)

†شری محمد افضل عرف م۔ افضل: میڈم۔ میں آپ کی اجازت سے دہلی میں جو بجلی کی بُری حالت ہے اس پر توجہ دلانا چاہتا ہوں... "مداخلت"... دہلی کے اندر پچھلے ایک مہینے سے بجلی اور پانی... "مداخلت"...

SHRI S. MUTHU MANI (Tamil Nadu): We will have to preserve our right to be in the Committee... (*Interruptions*)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I asked Mr. Gurudas Das Gupta to speak. Mr. Gurudas Das Gupta.

†[ ] Transliteration in Arabic Script.

RE: NEED FOR EARLY SETTLEMENT OF ISSUES PERTAINING TO SARDAR SAROVAR PROJECT

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Madam, with your kind permission, I beg to draw the attention of the Government to the threat that has been held out by Shrimati Medha Patkar, a leading exponent of the Narmada Bachao Movement... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL (Gujarat): You cannot raise this issue ... (*Interruptions*)... You cannot raise this issue in this House... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: You don't join... (*Interruptions*)... please let me speak, Madam Chairperson, let me speak.

श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे (गुजरात) : महोदय, गुजरात में पानी नहीं मिल रहा है । ... (**व्यवधान**)

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह (बिहार) : महोदया, यह मानवता का सवाल उठा रहे हैं । ... (**व्यवधान**)

मैं समझता हूं कि जो बात श्री गुरुदास दासगुप्त जी उठाना चाहते हैं, वह मानवता का प्रश्न है । इसलिए उनको अलौ किया जाना चाहिए । ... (**व्यवधान**)

श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे : श्री दासगुप्त जी को सुना जाए । ... (**व्यवधान**)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I don't know what is happening.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Madam, I seek your indulgence.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I will listen to you. Just a minute, please. He sought permission from the Chairman and the Chairman has permitted him to speak. So, I allowed him to speak. Anybody who wants to speak, I will allow. They don't need to get agitated. Don't get excited and I will allow the other Members also who wish to speak. I will give permission.